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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the concurrently filed continuation patent application as follows:

In the Specification

Page 1, line 3, after "This", please insert: --application is a continuation of Serial No. 08/137,677 filed 10/14/93, now abandoned, which--

Page 1, line 5, after "1992", please append the following sentence: --This application also is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 08/168,909 filed 12/17/93, now U.S. Patent 5,497,140

In the Claims

Cancel claims 25 and 36-48.

26. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a radio frequency identification (RFID) transceiver, comprising the steps of:
providing two covers, each cover being composed of a sheet of polymer film;
depositing on each of the two covers a barrier material which is [impervious] a barrier to water vapor;
mounting an RFID transceiver circuit and a battery between the two covers; and
sealing the two covers together along a peripheral contour which completely encircles the transceiver and battery;
whereby the barrier material protects the battery and transceiver from contamination.